HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 804

Celebrating the life of Robert Henry Powell.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, August 5, 2021

WHEREAS, Robert Henry Powell, an entrepreneur and highly admired community leader, died on June 27, 2021; and

WHEREAS, Robert Powell enjoyed a long and fulfilling career with Overnite Transportation and recorded more than 40 million miles of driving throughout the United States over the course of 37 years; and

WHEREAS, after his retirement from Overnite Transportation, Robert Powell began a second career as a restauranteur, opening a hot dog stand and Rosa Mae's Place, named for his mother, in Louisa; and

WHEREAS, Robert Powell brought joy to others through his kindness, generosity, and sense of humor; and

WHEREAS, a man of deep and abiding faith, Robert Powell joined Rocky Mount Baptist Church in Greensville County at a young age and was an active member of several church communities in the Richmond area in later life; and

WHEREAS, Robert Powell will be fondly remembered and greatly missed by his children, Robert, Sherry, Darrell, Tracy, Demeka, and Ashley, and their families; his mother, Rosa; and numerous other family members and friends; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Delegates hereby note with great sadness the loss of Robert Henry Powell; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to the family of Robert Henry Powell as an expression of the House of Delegates' respect for his memory.